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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA
SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 31 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Women and peace and security (S/2000/1044)*

Admission of new Members (S/2000/1043)**

Other matters

10.30 a.m.	4212th (closed) meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Briefing by Judge Gilbert Guillaume, President of the International Court of Justice

* With a view to a formal meeting, to be held following the adjournment of the 4212th (closed) meeting.

** With a view to a formal meeting, to be held following the adjournment of the 4213th meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	45th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	46th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Towards global partnerships [173]
2. Peace, security and reunification on the Korean peninsula: draft resolution (A/55/L.14) [183]
3. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard: report of the Secretary-General (A/55/344) [37]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 12.30 p.m.*	26th meeting	Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81 *(continued)*

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

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* From 12.30 p.m. to 1 p.m., the ceremony of presentation of United Nations Disarmament Fellowship certificates will be held.

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	30th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: Trade and Development [92 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.19

2. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [99]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.18

3. Globalization and interdependence [100]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.16

4. Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [102] (A/55/222, A/55/257-S/2000/766 and A/55/459)

   Conclusion of general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	31st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Training and research [97] (A/55/31)

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Environment and sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind [95 (g)] (A/55/162-S/2000/715)

   Introduction and general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 116 and 123 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations and Human resources management: Proposed regulations governing the status, basic rights and duties of the Secretary-General and officials other than Secretariat officials and experts on mission (A/54/695 and Corr.1 and A/54/710 and Corr.1))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session [159] (A/55/10)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 159 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 173
(Towards global partnerships)

Informal consultations for interested Member States and possible co-sponsors on a draft resolution under agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships) will be held *today*, 31 October 2000, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 31 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 31 October 2000

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

COORDINATING BUREAU

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE LEAST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

1.15 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room C-209B

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on environmental issue)

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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There will be a meeting of the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 31 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6. p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations under agenda item 174 (The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order), organized by the delegation of Guyana, will take place *today*, 31 October 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room E.

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Informal dialogue

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders, Ms. Hina Jilani, invites interested members of permanent missions to an informal dialogue, to be held *today*, 31 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in *Conference Room 6*.

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Announcement

As from Tuesday, 3 October 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 1 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	47th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	48th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [50]

(a) Note by the Secretary-General (A/55/431)

(b) Report of the Open-Ended Ad Hoc Working Group on the Causes of Conflict and the Promotion of Durable Peace and Sustainable Development in Africa (A/55/45)

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	42nd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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2000 UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

2000 UNITED NATIONS/FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

10 a.m.	1st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Joint opening of the Pledging Conferences
2. Election of officers of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme
3. Statements regarding pledges for the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities (A/CONF.193/1, A/CONF.190/2, E/2000/46/Add.2 and Corr. 1).

2000 UNITED NATIONS/FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

3 p.m.	1st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Statement of pledges
2. Adoption of the draft report (A/CONF.194/L.1)
3. Closure of the Conference segment

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Monday, 6 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee will hold its 17th meeting on Monday, 6 November 2000 at 10 a.m. and will begin consideration of agenda item 85 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories). Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda item 85, as well as on the other remaining items on the agenda (items 86 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) and 87 (Questions relating to information)) are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-0388), as soon as possible.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 114 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Wednesday, 1 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); and Mr. Michel Moussalli (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Rwanda).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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The 1st meeting of the Credentials Committee will be held on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly (the Millennium Assembly of the United Nations), in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee prior to the 1st meeting, in room S-3420A.

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The Working Group of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will meet on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 November, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will meet on Monday and Tuesday, 6 and 7 November 2000, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The 2000 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2000 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held in two segments.

The joint opening of both Pledging Conferences will take place on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 10 a.m., to be followed by the segment devoted to the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities. The second meeting devoted to this segment will take place on Thursday, 2 November, at 10 a.m.

The segment devoted to the 2000 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be convened on Wednesday, 1 November, at 3 p.m.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to both pledging conferences to the Secretary of the Pledging Conferences, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950G; tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 5973).

The list of speakers for both Pledging Conferences will be open until *today*, 31 October. Delegations wishing to be inscribed for one or both pledging conferences are requested to contact the Secretariat (Mr. A. De Barros or Ms. L. Bawar (tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 3-5973; fax: (212) 963-5935; room S-2950G)).

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The 205th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional agenda for the meeting will be as follows: (a) Consideration and adoption of the Committee's report to the General Assembly; and (b) Other matters.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 8 November 2000, at 10 a.m. sharp, in Conference Room 9.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee) on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee) on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 2 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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Briefing

There will be a briefing on "The Right to Development: A World Bank View", by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, World Bank Special Representative, Geneva Office, on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the office of the World Bank (tel.: (212) 986-8306).

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Information meeting

There will be a preparatory information meeting for the Bamako Seminar on Universalization and Implementation of the Mine Ban Treaty in Africa (Mali, 15-16 February 2001), organized by the delegations of Mali, Canada and France, on Thursday, 2 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Briefing

The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, will take place on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues: climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation.

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Workshop

The United Nations University and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) are jointly organizing a workshop on "COP6 and the Kyoto Protocol Negotiations" as part of their annual series on *Sustainable Development in Practice*. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Workshop

The United Nations University will hold a workshop on "Building Conflict Prevention Capacity: Methods, Experiences, Needs" on Tuesday, 14 November 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-govern-mental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the New York office of the United Nations University (tel.: (212) 963-6346).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 27 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE — 17th meeting

Visit by the President and Registrar of the International Court of Justice

The Chairman spoke.

The President of the International Court of Justice, His Excellency Judge Gilbert Guillaume, made a statement.

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session [159]

Statements were made by the representatives of Chile, Costa Rica, Austria and Greece.

18th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 159 and heard statements by the representatives of Algeria, Jordan, Slovenia, Cyprus, Indonesia, Poland, the Russian Federation, Kuwait, Cuba, Brazil, the United States and France.

The observer for Switzerland also made a statement.

The Chairman of the International Law Commission, Mr. Chusei Yamada (Japan), introduced Chapters V and VI of the Commission's report.

Monday, 30 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4211th meeting

The situation concerning Western Sahara

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2000/1029)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2000/1040, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2000/1040) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2000/1040) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1324 (2000).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

44th plenary meeting

Oceans and the law of the sea [34]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/61, A/55/386)

(b) Report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its first meeting (A/55/274)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/55/L.10 and Corr.1 and A/55/L.11)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 34.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/204 of 17 December 1996, the President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/6 of 24 October 1996, the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority made a statement.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Turkey, Mexico, Venezuela, France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Monaco, Poland, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) and Ecuador.

By 143 votes to 2, with 4 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.10 and Corrigendum 1 (resolution 55/7).

By 103 votes to 0, with 44 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.11 (resolution 55/8).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Chile, Argentina, Norway, Cuba, Singapore and Japan.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 34.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization [177]

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive-Secretary of the Preparatory Commission(A/55/433)

(b) Draft decision (A/55/L.5)

The Executive-Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization presented his report for the year 1999.

The representative of Mexico made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft decision A/55/L.5.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines, France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Malta, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Australia, the United States, Austria, China, Argentina and Canada.

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision contained in document A/55/L.5.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 177.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference [24]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/368)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.17)

The representative of Malaysia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/55/L.17.

Statements were made by the representatives of Senegal, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Norway, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Qatar and Bangladesh.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.17 (resolution 55/9).

A statement in explanation of vote was made by the representative of Armenia.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 24.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/401)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.18)

The representative of Iraq made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/55/L.18.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 477 (V) of 1 November 1950, the observer for the League of Arab States made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.18 (resolution 55/10).

A statement in explanation of vote was made by the representative of Israel.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 25.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE — 25th meeting

The Committee continued its third stage of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81).

Introduction of revised draft resolutions

The representative of Sweden introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.4/Rev.1.

The representative of Japan introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.39/Rev.1 and draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.28/Rev.1.

The representative of Canada introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.49/Rev.1.

The representative of Brazil introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.19/Rev.1.

The representative of the Russian Federation introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.2/Rev.1.

The representative of France (on behalf of the European Union) made a general statement pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.37.

The representative of Algeria made a general statement pertaining to draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.41.

Action on draft resolutions

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.30 was adopted by 101 votes to 42, with 14 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.32/Rev.1 was adopted by 102 votes to 42, with 14 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.37 was adopted by 149 votes to 0, with 7 abstentions.

The Committee took action on draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.41 as follows: the ninth operative paragraph was adopted by a recorded vote of 139 votes to 2, with 16 abstentions; and draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.41, as a whole, was adopted by a recorded vote of 99 votes to 39, with 17 abstentions.

The Committee took action on draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.48 as follows: the first operative paragraph was adopted by a recorded vote of 150 votes to 4, with 1 abstention; and draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.48, as a whole, was adopted by a recorded vote of 109 votes to 27, with 21 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.25 was adopted by 154 votes to 0, with 2 abstentions.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 16th meeting

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [84]

The Committee concluded its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Indonesia, Cyprus, Ghana, Malaysia, Kuwait, the United States, Australia, Turkey, South Africa, the Syrian Arab Republic, Lebanon, Bahrain, Bangladesh and Israel.

Statements were made by the observers for the Holy See and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

The Commissioner-General for UNRWA made a statement.

The representative of Jordan, the observer of Palestine and the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Effects of atomic radiation [82]

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.6/Rev.1 without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine and Belarus.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [83]

The representative of Chile introduced oral revisions to the draft resolution (A/C.4/55/L.8*).

The Acting Chairman informed the Committee that action on the draft resolution would be taken up at a later meeting of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Acting Chairman reminded the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft resolutions relating to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (agenda item 84) and the report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories (agenda item 85) was set for Wednesday, 1 November, at 6 p.m. Delegations were urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers for the remaining items on the agenda, namely, the report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories, under agenda item 85, Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects, under agenda item 86 and Questions relating to information, under agenda item 87 and as soon as possible.

At the request of the delegation of the Syrian Arab Republic, the Committee decided to extend the deadline for the submission of draft proposals relating to agenda items 84 and 85 to Thursday, 2 November, at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE 40th meeting

Human rights questions [114]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and special representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of subitems 114 (b), (c), (d) and (e) and heard statements by the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Israel, Belarus, Cuba, Viet Nam, Malaysia and Jordan.

A statement was made by the representative of the International Labour Organization.

41st meeting

Right of peoples to self-determination [113]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.32

The representative of Egypt, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Japan, Liechtenstein and Norway, introduced the draft resolution, and announced that Saint Lucia should have been deleted as co-sponsor to the draft resolution.

Human rights questions [114]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items 114 (b), (c), (d) and (e) and heard statements by the representatives of Algeria, Myanmar, Yemen, Kuwait, the Republic of Korea, Tunisia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Nigeria.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement in which she informed the Committee that action would be taken on the following draft proposals on Friday, 3 November (at 10 a.m.): under item 107: A/C.3/55/L.11, L.13 and L.16; under item 110: A/C.3/55/L.18; under item 112: A/C.3/55/L.25, L.26 and L.27; under item 113: A/C.3/55/L.32; under item 114 (a): A/C.3/55/L.29, L.30 and L.31. Drafts which had not yet been introduced would be introduced on Wednesday, 1 November, at 3 p.m. The deadline for submission of any revised texts was set for the following day, 31 October, at 1 p.m.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 19th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session [159]

Statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Croatia, Spain, Italy, United Kingdom, China, United Republic of Tanzania, Finland (on behalf of the Nordic countries), India, Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Poland, Germany, Russian Federation, Republic of Korea and Bahrain.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL INTERNATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EVENT ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Resumed first session 11th meeting

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item. The Committee agreed that the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Hazem Fahmy (Egypt), in addition to serving as Vice-Chairman, would also serve as Rapporteur of the Preparatory Committee.

H.E. Mr. Jorge Valdez (Peru) and Mr. John Davison (United States) were elected to replace Mr. Daul Matute (Peru) and Mr. Michael Gallagher (United States) who were unable to continue their work as Bureau members.

Preparation for the substantive preparatory process and the high-level international event [2]

Document A/AC.257/10

The Commmttee resumed its consideration of the item. Following statements by the representatives of China and Cuba, the Committee approved the list of non-governmental organizations recommended by the Bureau of the Committee for accreditation in the substantive preparatory process and the high-level international intergovernmental event on financing for development, as contained in document A/AC.257/10, subject to comments by one delegation to be received by the Secretariat before Thursday, 2 November 2000.

Participation of the representatives of civil society and business sector in hearings

The Committee authorized the Secretariat to issue corresponding invitations to the representatives of civil society proposed for participation in the hearings on 6 and 7 November 2000, as contained in the informal paper.

The Committee also authorized the Secretariat to issue corresponding invitations to the representatives of business sector proposed for participation in the hearing on 11 and 12 December 2000, as contained in an informal paper.

The Committee also had before it a list of non-governmental organizations invited as observers in the hearings on 6 and 7 November 2000, contained in a non-paper.

The Executive Coordinator of the Financing for Development Secretariat responded to questions raised.

The Committee took note of the list and, subject to comments by one delegation to be received by the Secretariat before Thursday, 2 November 2000, authorized the Secretariat to issue the corresponding invitations.

The Co-Chairman, H.E. Mr. Jørgen Bøjer (Denmark) made a statement.

Organization of work and suspension of the session

The Co-Chairman, H.E. Mr. Asda Jayanama (Thailand), made a statement regarding the organization of work for the next meeting of the Committee to be held on 16 November 2000, and suspended the first session of the Preparatory Committee.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session for 2000

47th meeting

Opening of the resumed session

Opening statement by the President of the Economic and Social Council.

The President of the General Assembly and the Deputy Secretary-General addressed the Council.

Presentations by the Rome-based agencies

Presentations were made by the Director-General of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, the President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the Executive Director of the World Food Programme.

The representatives of Italy, Rwanda, France (on behalf of the European Union), India, Cameroon, Viet Nam, Saudi Arabia, China, the Sudan and the United Kingdom made statements.

The representatives of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the World Food Programme respond to queries raised.

The representative of the International Labour Organization made a statement.

The President of the Economic and Social Council made a statement and circulated a summary of the meeting.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Seventieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 30 OCTOBER 2000

1888th and 1889th meetings

The Committee discussed the concluding observations on Denmark (CCPR/C/CO/70/DNK).

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties. Vienna, 23 May 1969

Ratification: Peru (14 September 2000)*

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Consent to be bound: Israel (30 October 2000)*

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Consent to be bound: Israel (30 October 2000)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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Exhibit

An exhibit of photographs entitled "Ending Rural Poverty: A challenge for the 21st century", sponsored by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) will be on display until *today*, 31 October 2000 in the south corner of the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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